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Drug Analysis Laboratory Monthly Status Report

December, 2008

Amherst and Jamaica Plain (combined)

Cases* submitted to the laboratories this month.....	1628
Number of items* contained in these cases.....	2638
Cases analyzed by the laboratories this month.....	1923
Number of items analyzed this month.....	2982
Laboratories' backlog (Items).....	13988
Average time per analysis (turnaround time).....	124 days
Number of preliminary/priority analyses performed.....	188

Analysis Backlog

Unanalyzed items in the laboratory on the last day of the month

1-15 days old	992	7%
16-30 days old	1508	11%
31-50 days old	1906	14%
Greater than 50 days	9582	69%
TOTAL	13988	100%

* A CASE refers to all the evidence gathered from an incident or arrest that is related to one or more defendants. Each case may contain one or more ITEMS of different appearance and/or composition, e.g. marijuana, cocaine, heroin.

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Analysis Profile

Time in the laboratory for items analyzed this month

1-15 days	62	2%
16-30 days	53	2%
31-50 days	554	19%
Greater than 50 days	2313	78%
TOTAL	2982	100%

Totals for Drugs of Interest

Drug Type	Number of Items
Marijuana	1484
Cocaine	406
Heroin	189
Others	903
TOTAL	2982

Trafficking Items Analyzed

Drug Type	Number of Items
Heroin	10
Cocaine	31
Oxycodone	4
TOTAL	45

Calendar Year (2008) Totals through the End of the Month

Items Submitted	41143
Items Analyzed	34530

